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## FOCH WANTS PERMANENT WATCH ON THE RHINE

### Allied Commander-in-Chief in First Interview With American Journalists Following Armistice Negotiations at Treves Pleads For Continued Allied Unity—Praise For Pershing's Army.

By Telegram to The Freeman.

With the American Army of Occupation in Germany, Jan. 17 (By courier to Nancy).—The Rhine is the common barrier of all the Allies. It is the guaranty of peace for all nations who have shed their blood in the cause of liberty. Then let us watch on the Rhine.

This was the most striking utterance of Marshal Foch, generalissimo of the Allied armies, in an interview granted the American correspondents when his private train was sidetracked at the Treves station. It was the first talk Marshal Foch had granted the journalists from the United States. The sense of the interview was in effect:

The Hun cannot be trusted and a plea that those who fought for democracy unite for the welfare of humanity. He disclosed for the first time that General Pershing asked to have a distinctly American sector.

Marshal Foch indulged in Yankee slang saying: "Your men have the devil's own punch. They overcome everything when they go to it." Another American colloquialism, used was "all right."

The marshal had spent the morning (Wednesday) receiving the German armistice plenipotentiaries. The latter desired a loan but with small prospect of their receiving it.

Marshal Foch was in good physical condition and had "lots of pep." He delivered his opinions with rapidity and ease. He wore a blue field uniform, tan shoes and a black hat with a gold star.

Marshal Foch is a short man of medium build with a gray mustache and a kindly eye. His hands are small and white and one of them is adorned with a large wedding ring. He has a fine forehead and deep-set eyes. The pose of his legs showed his strength, vigor and determination more than any other physical feature. He had been reading a paper covered book entitled "America: Now and Then," by Jules Verne, French ambassador to the United States.

On the platform outside was a British and American naval officer in picturesque grouping. Armed sentries patrolled the platform, the railroad and the street adjoining. Marshal Foch's statement follows:

"It is my happy opportunity to tell you of all of the good I think of the American army and of the part it played at our side. Your soldiers are superior. They came to us with enthusiasm and carried forward a vigorous idealism. They rushed into battle with admirable alacrity. Yes, they were superior. There is no other word. When they appeared our armies were as you understand, fatigued by three years of relentless struggle and the mantle of rest rested heavily upon them. But they were magnificently comforted by the unity of your Americanism."

"The youth of the United States brought a renewal of hope that hastened victory. Not only was this moral factor of the highest importance, but also you brought enormous material aid and wealth which you placed at our disposal and contributed to our final success."

"Nobody among us will ever forget what America did. You know what has happened on the fields of battle since the month of July, first on the Marne, then in the region of Verdun."

"General Pershing wished as far as possible to have his army concentrated in an American sector. Argonne and the heights of the Meuse were a hard sector to tackle. There were considerable obstacles there, all right. I said to him: 'Your men have the devil's own punch. They will overcome everything when they do. Everything went so well that here we are on the Rhine.'"

A correspondent asked Marshal Foch: "But was not the armistice concluded too soon?"

"It was not possible to do otherwise," answered the marshal. "Because the Germans gave us everything we asked for. They satisfied all of our conditions. It was difficult to ask for more. Doubtless many a general would have preferred to continue the struggle and give battle when it offered so promising a result, but as the father of a family I could not think of the blood that would have been shed. A victory, no matter how easy, costs lives of men. We held victory in our grasp without any further sacrifices. We took it as it came."

"The German high command was not ignorant of the fact that it faced a colossal disaster when it surrendered. Everything was ready for an offensive which unquestionably would have succeeded. We were to attack in Lorraine with twenty French divisions and six American divisions. This fact would have been supported by other movements in Flanders and in the center. The Germans were lost. They capitulated. That is the whole story. And now we must make a peace which will answer to the magnitude of our victory. We must have a peace as absolute as was our success and which guards us against all future aggressions. France has a right to efficacious measures of protection of the formidable effort she put forth to save civilization."

"The natural frontier that will protect civilization is the Rhine. It is on the Rhine that we must halt the Germans. It is by using the Rhine that we must make it impossible for them to recommence their coup of 1914. The Rhine is the common barrier of all of the Allies: of all those who united to save civilization. The Rhine is the guaranty of peace for all of the nations who have shed their blood in the cause of liberty. Then let us watch on the Rhine. We have no idea of attacking Germany or of recommencing the war."

"Democracies such as ours never attack. They ask but to live in peace and to grow in peace. But who can say that Germany, where democratic ideas are so recent, and perhaps so very superficial, will not quickly relapse into its old ways? It is within a few years attempt a second time to crush us? Russian soldiers were in the combat a long while. England has the channel to cross and America is far away."

"France must always be in a position to safeguard the general interests of mankind. Those interests are at stake on the Rhine. It is there that we must prepare to obviate the painful surprises of the future. The armistice has been signed but peace has not yet been concluded. So long as the status of Europe has not been settled we must watch. Let us watch together so that we lose not the fruits of our common victory. Let us remain united as we were in battle."

## PRIVATE SCOTT DEAD IN FRANCE



PRIVATE AMOS D. SCOTT.

When our hearts and hopes were highest at the news "the war is over" still the sad toll goes on and the following telegram received last Friday evening by the family of Simeon Scott added another to the ever growing list: "Deeply regret to inform you that it is officially reported that Private Amos D. Scott, machine gun battalion, died of pneumonia, December nineteenth, Harris, Adjutant General."

Amos Scott was born June 16, 1890, at Lloyd, and was the son of Simeon and Carrie Scott. When he was six years of age his parents moved to Boiceville, and eight years ago last fall they came to this village, residing on Washington avenue.

On July 23 he responded to the call and left for Napanoch and was sent to Camp Dix, where he was assigned to Co. B, 356th Machine Gun Battalion, 37th Division, made up mostly of western troops, which sailed for overseas on August 25th. The last letters received from him were written the 24th and 27th of November, the former being published last week. The Christmas card sent from Nantes, France, reached here the day of his death.

He was a member of Charles De Witt Council, No. 81, Jr. O. U. S. M. of Kingston, and of Sunshine Lodge, No. 928, I. O. O. F. of this place (Highland).

He was essentially a home loving boy, for when through with his work he was always found at home preferring that to going out with young friends. He is survived by his parents and two sisters, Grace and Pearl.—Highland Post.

## WORLD'S GREATEST PEACE CONFERENCE OPENED BY PREMIER CLEMENCEAU

### HUGE CZECH ARMY MENACES SILESIA

By Agency Radio to International News Service.

Berlin, Jan. 18.—A Czech army of 500,000 men is menacing the German province of Silesia while a Polish army of eighteen divisions is ready to invade Upper Silesia, said a telegram from Breslau today.

The Germans are calling for volunteers to defend Silesia.

### CLEMENCEAU PEACE CONFERENCE HEAD

By Telegram to The Freeman.

Premier Clemenceau was elected president of the peace conference following his nomination by Premier Lloyd George.

President Poincare concluded his speech at 3:40 o'clock and left the room for a brief rest.

### With Utmost Brilliance Conclave Designed to Settle World Problems and Make War Impossible Opened at French Foreign Office--100 Envoys Representing 25 Enemies of Germany Present--U. S. Delegates All There But Col. House Who Is Ill--President Poincare Welcomes All.

Paris, Jan. 18.—The world's greatest peace conference opened here this afternoon.

The foremost statesmen of the world, representing the twenty-five nations that had broken with Germany, were gathered about the green table when Premier Clemenceau called the first session of this historic conference to order at three o'clock at the foreign office.

Questions affecting all of the peoples of the earth, including the creation of a league of nations, designed to make war forever impossible, will be settled before the conference comes to an end at Versailles.

President Poincare formally welcomed the envoys in behalf of France in a brief speech immediately after the conference was called to order.

All of the members of the American peace delegation, headed by President Wilson, were present except Colonel House. He was kept away by illness but was so much improved that it was believed he would be able to sit with his conference next week.

Fair weather prevailed and an enormous crowd was massed behind the military guard, cheering the envoys as they arrived.

Inside the foreign office, where Stephen Pichon, the French foreign minister received the plenipotentiaries, the scene was one of the utmost brilliancy.

As Marshal Foch and President Poincare entered the conference room the band played "The Marseillaise" and all of the envoys stood. Then Premier Clemenceau introduced President Poincare.

The delegates again stood as the president departed, the hand meanwhile playing "Makeloni." The invited guests were then bowed out by the lackeys, the French premier banded his gavel and the momentous gathering was officially under way.

The sound of cheers, given for M. Poincare as he was leaving the building, were audible to the delegates as M. Clemenceau called the session to order.

Among the first of the delegates to arrive at the Quai d'Orsay were Premier Lloyd George, A. J. Balfour, the British foreign minister.

President Wilson was accompanied by Mrs. Wilson. Mrs. Wilson did not alight from the motor car, but returned to the Marais Palace.

Paris, Jan. 18.—Exactly forty-eight years after William I had proclaimed himself the German emperor at Versailles, peace envoys from twenty-five associated powers met here today to settle the fate of the German nation.

The first session of this historic peace conference—probably the most important gathering in the history of mankind—was scheduled to open at 3 p. m. at the foreign office. Arrangements were made for the seating of upwards of 100 envoys and invitations were extended to fifteen journalists—three of them Americans—to be present to hear President Poincare deliver his address of welcome to the plenipotentiaries.

The publicity controversy that had been raging for three days was settled upon the eve of the opening of the conference by allowing a limited number of correspondents to be present at the plenary sessions with the reservation that they could be evacuated when expediency demanded it.

The foremost statesmen of the world were gathered here for the conference with President Wilson taking the lead in the movement for the creation of a league of nations that is destined to make war forever impossible.

The negotiations are expected to take many weeks before the session is transformed to Versailles where the final treaty will be signed. Great crowds had been to the Quai d'Orsay and around the foreign office where a military guard was established.

The clock room of the foreign office, containing an immense horseshoe-shaped table, was selected as the meeting place of the delegates. The seating arrangements placed the American commissioners—President Wilson, Colonel E. M. House, Secretary of State Lansing, Henry White and General Tasker H. Bliss—opposite the British envoys.

The Italian envoys—Premier Orlando, Giolitti, the foreign minister, and three others—were placed opposite the French delegation.

The Japanese commissioners, headed by Marquis Saionji, were put opposite the Brazilians.

Premier Clemenceau was selected to preside. The program for the initial session called for the selection of a secretary—probably A. Dastous—the approval of methods of procedure and the clearing up of minor affairs.

One of the first great international questions which will be taken up by the conference is the situation in Russia with the disturbing problem of Bolshevism.

The Central Powers will not be represented at the preliminary conferences, but their envoys will be called in later, after the Allied plenipotentiaries have settled the problems directly involving them.

Additional seats had been allotted to the Serbians and Belgians by the supreme Inter-Allied war council just twenty-four hours before the conference, an action that was warmly received by the French press today.

Premier Clemenceau as the presiding officer, was assigned to the chief seat at the head of the table. At his right was an extra chair for President Poincare; at his left was another chair for Marshal Foch, who has just arrived from Treves where he gave the Germans an extension of the armistice on terms more severe than the original conditions.

In an ante-chamber outside were tables laden with champagne, cognac, mineral waters, cigars and cigarettes. All brands of cigarettes from the various countries were heaped in neat piles, even Russian cigarettes with their long, brown cardboard tips. On other tables were all of the latest newspapers from every country, including German papers giving the latest accounts of the Berlin revolution. A special lounging room was provided.

## KINGMAN, CANFIELD, TURCK NEW C. OF C. DIRECTORS

### Joseph M. Herbert Re-elected President at Annual Meeting--Amendment Adopted--Reports of Officers and Committee Meeting

At the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, held Friday evening in the new offices the following directors and officers were elected:

Joseph M. Herbert, president.  
V. A. Gorman, first vice-president.  
W. J. Turck, second vice-president.  
C. R. O'Connor, treasurer.  
S. D. M. Hudson, secretary.  
W. C. Kingman, director.  
Palmer Canfield, Jr., director.  
W. J. Turck, director.

The result of the vote as announced by the tellers, C. V. A. Decker, A. D. Pardee, Louis Beeres and A. D. Rose follows:

William C. Kingman ..... 74  
Palmer Canfield, Jr. .... 72  
William J. Turck ..... 71  
Joseph M. Fowler ..... 50  
W. H. Van Slyke ..... 45  
Thomas A. Horton ..... 42

The three receiving the greatest number of votes were declared elected. The new directors' remarks indicating their acceptance, were of such character as to make those present believe no mistake had been made in choosing them.

The only amendment voted on, that providing that retiring directors be ineligible for re-election, was carried 54 to 21.

The directors elected officers as above stated.

A vote of thanks was extended to Willis Hills of the telephone company for the use of rooms in that building in connection with the election.

A joint meeting of the board and the committee which is to represent the chamber at the crossing elimination hearing January 22 took place after the regular meeting at which the following were present: Joseph M. Herbert, Palmer A. Canfield, Jr., W. C. Kingman, Harry Leighton, John B. Kearney, E. H. Bogart, W. J. Turck, Joseph M. Fowler, chairman of the committee; Senator Walton, E. E. Fessenden, Lawrence F. Bannon and Hon. W. P. Crane.

Previous to the election of officers, the reports of officers were read. Those of President Herbert and Secretary Hudson follow:

### President Herbert's Report.

Gentlemen of the Chamber of Commerce:

At the annual meeting of the Kingston Chamber of Commerce, held last night, your Board of Directors honored me with the office of presidency of this organization.

In my endeavors to meet the requirements of the position conferred upon me I have found both interest and pleasure, and it would be to my gratification to feel that my efforts have not altogether been without some small degree of your approval.

To your secretary I am leaving a report of the year's general work. You will learn by his report that our Chamber of Commerce has had many important activities during the past year, but nevertheless, the one outstanding thought in the minds of our members and of our community is the one thing that the Chamber of Commerce stands for, and for that matter should devote itself to, is the bringing to town of a new industry.

While the members are usually generous in giving credit for the various activities of the Chamber of Commerce just the same all the time that thought is turning in their minds about a new factory coming to town.

The unsolicited suggestions created by the war naturally discouraged directing efforts to the bringing of new industries to Kingston.

However, the American Grenade Loading Company, although it is to be classed as a war industry, was induced to locate in Fort Henry. It may be stated that the American Grenade Loading Co., located their plant here without asking or receiving a bonus, notwithstanding the offers of land with such considerations and inducements were made them by other places. During the past year this concern employed as

## TEN DOLLARS, TEN DAYS FOR BREWER

Had Charles Brewer not fabricated, or perhaps had a better memory he might have fared better in city court, this morning. Brewer was arrested this morning by Officer Connelly on a warrant sworn out Friday by Mrs. Frances Huston. She charging him with assault in the third degree. The parties reside at 22 Post street. Mrs. Huston with her husband, boarding with Brewer's sister. An argument it seems arose and then Brewer slapped Mrs. Huston twice in the face. The next chapter was the obtaining of the warrant, then the arrest and next the trial in city court this morning. When Brewer was asked whether he had been arrested before he said he had not. The docket was looked over and it was found he had been arrested in 1915. City Judge Schirck fined Brewer \$10 with an added sentence of ten days in jail. The fine was paid and Brewer will be served with two more days for the ten days he Chief Spiller McMahon at Sheriff Smith's hotel, "1818" Wall street.

## BENNETT IS NEW POLICE COM'R

Mayor Canfield has filed with City Clerk Horne the appointment of William H. Bennett of 60 West Chester street, as a police commissioner, to fill a vacancy caused by resignation of R. E. Leighton. Commissioner Bennett is secretary of the North River Coal Company and president of the Uster County Automobile Association, and has devoted much time to matters pertaining to the welfare of city. Another vacancy exists, being caused by the resignation of Commissioner Jacob A. Lay about a month ago. Mr. Lay has earned the right to conduct the privilege at Kingston Point Park the coming summer.

## NEW RULES FOR LOCAL FREIGHT

Effective January 27 new rules for less than carload freight shipments on the West Shore, Uster and Delaware and Ontario and Western Railroads are announced. Cards giving full details may be obtained by shipper. In brief the rules are that less than carload freight will be accepted for shipments as follows:

West Shore--Northbound, Monday and Thursday. Southbound Tuesday and Friday. For all points on U. S. & H. R. R., Wednesday and Saturday. Points on Pennsylvania R. R., Wednesday and Saturday. Walkkill Valley--All points, Wednesday and Saturday.

Uster and Delaware--All stations, Tuesday and Thursday.

Ontario and Western--Monday and Friday.

As the destination governs the shipping point, the complete rules should be consulted by shippers.

## SPAIN PROCLAIMS MARTIAL LAW

By Telegram to The Freeman.

Madrid, Jan. 18.—Martial law was proclaimed here today by Premier Romanones.

Political unrest in Spain led to the formation of a new cabinet on December 5th with M. Romanones taking the portfolio of premier and minister of foreign affairs.

Eight Transports Arrive.

By Telegram to The Freeman.

New York, Jan. 18.—Eight transports, carrying a total of 31,025 officers and men of the American Expeditionary Forces, have arrived at one at this port today. The bulk of the men were in artillery units, with the exception of one casual company, none were local organizations.

## DEATH OF LIEUTENANT MURDOCK

By Telegram to The Freeman.

Berlin, Jan. 18.—Lieutenant Murdock, leader of the Independent Socialists who are allied with the Socialists, was killed today in a new great air raid on the public streets. He was told he had been violating the law, given a lecture and the rifle company.

## BOY'S RIFLE CONFINED

George Farber, a boy, was indicted yesterday to city court, by Officer Murphy to explain why he was using an air rifle on the public streets. He was told he had been violating the law, given a lecture and the rifle company.

### Abandoned Stolen Van.

A large auto moving van, abandoned on East Post street below Broadway, was taken in charge by Officer Haley and Sergeant Palmer on Friday. Tin signs on the side had been torn off, one being found under the seat, and the other evidently thrown away. On the sign under the seat was painted "Marine Unit, Auto Moving Van, 551 E. Fifty-first Street, New York." Notice was sent him of the finding of the stolen van, and it was ascertained that it had been stolen. Three young men who boarded the 7:15 West Shore train Thursday evening at Union station are suspected of being the thieves.

### "Popular Riddle" Solved.

"The Popular Riddle," a club of young men from the army and navy who have done their bit for their country and have been mustered out of the service, will hold a grand reception and ball at Mechanics Hall on Henry street, Tuesday evening, January 21. Special features of imported dancers will be introduced. Dancing will start promptly at 8 p. m. and continue as long as the crowd desires to stay. A good time is assured all who attend. Carriage Jack (orchestra of Haboken with french music).







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thel whole-hearted work and support for the time they have given to the business of the Chamber.

Mr. Leonard, who was our secretary until last June, did good and efficient work for us and appreciation is due him.

For the period of July and August, Clyde Crosby, while not officially known as secretary, gave me great assistance and a large amount of his time. His work in particular in connection with the farm workers' drive was very special recognition. Certainly I am glad to know publicly thank him.

On September 1st, Mr. Hudson (re-elected) commenced his tenure of office. Most of you now have formed your estimate of Mr. Hudson and I think I may say that he is proving to be the right man for the right place. I am indebted to him for his earnest support and interest.

Thanks are also due to the many special committees appointed for the creditable manner in which their work was performed. The Kingston Freeman and the Kingston Leader have co-operated with us upon every occasion necessary and the sincere thanks of the organization are due these papers. I thank you.

**Secretary Hudson's Report.**

To the president, board of directors and members of the Kingston Chamber of Commerce, I respectfully submit my report covering the period from September 1, 1918, to January 15, 1919.

I am submitting a separate report covering the period from January 1 to September 1, 1918, when I became secretary of the Kingston Chamber of Commerce.

Kingston and the Chamber of Commerce.

Kingston, as all American cities, has entered a year which will go far toward determining its development for a generation to come.

It differs from the vast majority in the extent to which it possesses resources which make possible a sound development of great magnitude.

The scope and nature of this development will be determined largely by the energy, initiative, vision and resources of the Chamber of Commerce.

**War Work First.**

On September 1st, when I became secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, the first consideration in all of our minds was the winning of the war.

The Chamber of Commerce undertook several war measures, including co-operation in the war fund drives, co-operation in the nation-wide organization of Chamber of Commerce committees, operating in connection with the War Industries Board, co-operation in the establishment of the Kingston office of the United States Employment Service, and the building up of a complete war information service.

**War Work Drives.**

The Industrial Committee for the Fourth Liberty Loan, of which, Wm. H. Van Slyke was chairman, used the Chamber of Commerce rooms as its headquarters. The secretary assisted in the clerical and publicity work of this committee.

Following the Liberty Loan, came the War Chest Drive in which Ulster County passed by more than \$25,000 the \$200,000 goal which it set. President Joseph M. Herbert was chairman of the executive committee of this campaign.

The secretary was chairman of the publicity committee, and gave the major part of his time for three weeks to the work of this campaign.

Shortly after the close of the War Chest Drive, the campaign committee of the Red Cross Christmas roll call was organized.

The Chamber of Commerce once more assisted. The greater part of the secretary's time for three weeks was given to the management of the roll call publicity. A considerable part of the clerical work of this campaign was also handled through the Chamber of Commerce office.

The directors and members of the Chamber of Commerce were active in all these drives.

In connection with the publicity work which the Chamber of Commerce undertook, special note should be made of the services on the Red Cross and War Chest publicity committees of Ralph Cohen, Rev. F. B. Seely, Samuel Reiff, V. A. Gorman, W. C. Kneaman, E. H. Bogart, Scott Executive Birchler, C. R. Stull, C. W. Lewis, L. E. Leighton, Abraham Freeman, Leo Herbert and E. E. Wagner. Not only efficient publicity work has been done, except for the co-operation, extending to matters of space, position and advice and counsel of the Kingston Freeman and the Kingston Leader.

**War Industries.**

In the summer of 1918, the War Industries Board recognized the need for local community co-operation in regard to its work.

Twenty regional districts were established covering the entire nation. Each region had a war resources committee composed of representatives from the Chamber of Commerce within the region. Each Chamber of Commerce was made a local administrative agency for its city and surrounding territory.

President Joseph M. Herbert was a member of the committee for region three, and the Kingston Chamber of Commerce was local administrative agency for Ulster and Dutchess counties.

Since the war continued into 1919, this arrangement, making it possible to present the industrial situation to the War Industries Board, has been maintained. The Kingston Freeman and the Kingston Leader, would have been of very great value in increasing the number and amount of contracts awarded there.

The standing of the armaments of war rendered this machinery essential. Much of the data gathered, however, will be useful in the work of the War Industries Board.

**War Information Service.**

The Chamber of Commerce office, through its members and arranged for the dissemination of information covering

official orders, contracts to be awarded, plans and organizations of governmental agencies, etc. This material was fitted to the needs of manufacturers, retailers and the general public. Press notices of important matters were made from time to time. This activity will be continued on a peace basis.

**United States Employment Service.**

The Chamber of Commerce through President Joseph M. Herbert, co-operated with United States Employment Service and with Chairman Everett Fowler of the Community Labor Board in the opening and organization of the Kingston office of the United States Employment Service.

This is the chief office for this district which includes Ulster, Orange, Sullivan and Rockland counties. Its location here secures for Kingston a service which is essential to both employer and employee, and which would otherwise have to be maintained by the Chamber of Commerce.

Charles E. Barnes, superintendent for New York state of the United States Employment Service, was the guest of the Chamber of Commerce at its October dinner. Mr. Barnes explained the plans and operation of the Employment Service. He spoke here at the time when the plans were just being worked out and brought to Kingston an early and complete explanation of the purposes of the United States government in employment work.

Close contact between the Employment office and the Chamber of Commerce is constantly maintained; the Chamber of Commerce receives many inquiries from men and women seeking work. It refers these inquiries to the Employment Office. The Chamber of Commerce is constantly prepared to co-operate with the Employment Service in every possible way.

**Industrial Development.**

Kingston needs additional manufacturing establishments. It has substantial advantages as a location for plants of many kinds. A systematic and continuous presentation of these advantages based on a careful examination of their exact nature and the constant remedying of any weak points, cannot fail to bring new enterprises to this city.

The Chamber of Commerce has been constantly replying to inquiries presented to it and has been searching out desirable establishments which do, or may, contemplate new locations.

During the war all factory buildings of considerable size in the city were occupied.

Re-locations throughout the nation were effected in the case of war productions. Restrictions on new building and the policy of the United States government against the congestion of the war production in the Eastern Industrial Zone, and in favor of the use of existing facilities wherever possible necessarily limited the possibilities for new development.

Nevertheless, the industrial situation in Kingston was very favorable through the development of existing industries. It was further improved by the bringing here of the American Grenade and Loading Corporation.

The opportunity for far-reaching action is at hand. The number of companies with which the Chamber of Commerce is in touch is increasing. War-time obstacles to re-location, and to new building are disappearing.

Systematic study of our advantages, carefully planned presentation of them to substantial enterprises, close co-operation between the Chamber of Commerce office, the board of directors, a representative industrial committee and the entire membership, can be so carried out as to insure the industrial future of Kingston. This will be an increasingly important part of the work of the Chamber of Commerce during 1919.

The large canal terminal will add greatly to the industrial possibilities of the city.

**Retail Trade.**

The civic and industrial development of a city is closely bound up with its position as a center of retail trade.

Civic improvements and industrial expansion develop retail trade, and a prosperous retail trade is essential to sound civic and industrial development.

The Chamber of Commerce was active in promoting early Christmas shopping, securing a special reel which was shown at the Kingston theaters. It has also made available information with respect to government orders, affecting retail trade.

The activities of the Retailers' Group were delayed by the influenza epidemic, the war fund drives and the Christmas shopping season.

It is now possible to extend the work of the Chamber for the promotion of Kingston's retail business.

**Roadwork.**

The Chamber of Commerce has been in touch with the state authorities since the opening of the armistice. It is urging that the importance of this work is such that all preparations should be made at once, and that the work itself should begin at the earliest possible moment, and be completed at an early date.

**Broadway Grade Crossing.**

The Chamber of Commerce is interested in the elimination of the Broadway grade crossing. It will be represented at the public service commission hearing on January 29th.

**Bridge Canal Terminal.**

It is expected that an appropriation for the construction of large canal terminals along the Hudson river, including Kingston's terminal, will be made at this session of the legislature.

The Chamber of Commerce has been active in the behalf of the Kingston terminal, and its committees have appeared at Albany in hearings on the terminal project.

**Fire Prevention.**

A fire prevention movement has been launched through a committee, of which C. V. A. Decker is chairman. The committee originally planned to make the observance of National Fire Prevention Day on November 2, 1918, a starting point for a permanent program of fire prevention work. Owing to the influenza epidemic, it was necessary to postpone Kingston's observance of the prevention day.

The committee has had several meetings and has marked out a plan

of action which is to be inaugurated by a special fire prevention day.

**Community Chorus.**

Believing that community singing is of utmost value both for its own sake and as an aid in the continuation and future development of the fine community spirit which has made Kingston so successful in its war drives, the Chamber of Commerce favors the organization in Kingston of a community chorus. A committee, of which C. R. Stull is chairman, has been organized to work for this end.

**Return Loads Bureau.**

In order to reduce the cost and increase the efficiency of highway transportation by means of motor trucks, Chambers of Commerce in many eastern cities have established Return Loads Bureaus.

Such a bureau in Kingston would help to secure for trucks going out of Kingston or bringing goods into Kingston, a load for the return trip. It may also secure more regular and more frequent motor truck service between Kingston and other points in the state. Investigation of this matter is in the hands of a committee, of which A. D. Rose is chairman.

**Influenza After-Care Committee.**

The Chamber of Commerce has co-operated with the city administration, the Ulster County Red Cross, the Ulster County State Charities Aid and other organizations in the community in the formation of an Ulster county committee to deal with the after-care problems growing out of the influenza epidemic. Mayor Palmer Canfield, Jr., is chairman of the Ulster County After-Care Committee, and the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce is secretary of the committee.

Miss Margaret Kasson, of the Ulster County State Charities Aid, is associate secretary.

**Employment for Returning Soldiers.**

Besides the constant touch which is maintained between the Chamber of Commerce office and the office of the United States Employment Service, the Chamber of Commerce has been represented at meetings held for the purpose of organizing the civic war service and national organizations of Kingston to assist the U. S. Employment Service in the placement of returning soldiers. E. E. Leighton, J. C. Klein and the secretary have represented the Chamber of Commerce.

J. C. Klein has been chosen secretary of the permanent committee which is now being organized.

**Ulster County Farm Bureau.**

In the absence of President Joseph M. Herbert, Mr. E. Leighton spoke at the annual dinner of the Ulster County Farm Bureau as a representative of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Leighton discussed the public market and other matters concerning which the Chamber of Commerce and the Farm Bureau have co-operated, and invited the Farm Bureau to present any question with respect to which the Chamber of Commerce can be of service to the farming and fruit growing interests of Ulster county.

**Kingston Industrial Workers.**

The first public appearance of the secretary in Kingston was at the meeting of the Kingston Industrial Workers, when the Industrial Workers completed the raising of the fund to provide a memorial for the Kingston boys in service. President Joseph M. Herbert and the secretary spoke at this meeting.

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The Kingston Y. M. C. A. has very courteously extended the use of its building for the monthly dinners of the Chamber of Commerce. This has largely contributed to the success of these dinners.

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No wonder that our lads who went into the fight for humanity and democracy knew what they were fighting for, for every child present, apparently knew exactly when right needed applauding and wrong discontinued.

During the intermission, Manager Gilderbue opened the fire escape doors, thus freshening the air in the auditorium without making a direct draft on anyone. And during this intermission occurred one of the most interesting features of the entire performance. The children sang all of the popular songs and the patriotic songs that there was time to sing, and how they sang them. There's the place to start community singing, and there's a good place to go and find out what voices. Apparently the favorites were "Paci Bag," and "Keep the Home Fires Burning," and you can be sure that the children knew the words all right.

As the second half of the program was ushered in with the wonderful "Screen Telegrams," the doors were closed, and then the children had a chance to see some of our returning flags, and how they cheered. And they kept right on cheering as some man from the ranks was shown receiving his Croix de Guerre, quite confused and embarrassed under the overwhelming honor conferred upon him. Then the youthful audience learned how, when the men and women who have served their country in this great war, can no longer be distinguished because of the uniform they wear, they will be given a Victory Veteran button, whether they be a soldier, sailor, woman ambulance driver or Canteen Worker at the front, or Red Cross nurse. You should just have heard those youngsters cheer each face as it appeared against the back ground of the "button," and you would have known that our future Americans are "in the making" all right. So anxious was the Freeman reporter to have these movies of Kingston know about the people with all of their lessons of morals, manners, history made and making, patriotism and kindness as well as the singing together, that the picture was left directly after the second half began to be run, though it must be confessed that that same picture was so good, that it was quite disappointing not to be able to see how it all came out. Unquestionably these movies, chaperoned by members of the Parent-Teachers' Association, Child Welfare Committee, State Charities Aid, etc., are both educational and pleasure giving in a marked degree and should be better, not less well patronized.

**TWENTY AND TEN YEARS AGO.**

Jan. 18, 1899—Philip Schuster elected president Merchants' Protective Association.

Death of Anna E. Meyers.

James S. Pine, many years a prominent resident of Kingston, a grocer firm of Broadhead & Pine, Wall and Main streets, died at Millbrook.

Jan. 18, 1909—Red Cross stamp sales reported to have been \$6,428.25 net sum realized \$487.82.

J. Maynard Morgan elected president Kingston Argus Company.

Daniel B. Deyo named as clerk of Surrogate Court by Surrogate Gill.

Sanitarian reported \$1,061.50











SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 1919.

Sun rises, 7:24; sets, 4:57.  
Weather, cloudy.

## The Temperature.

The lowest point registered by the Freeman's thermometer last night was 32 degrees. The highest point registered up to noon today was 38 degrees.

## Weather Forecast.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Rain on the coast and rain or snow in the interior this afternoon and tonight; Sunday fair, somewhat colder, increasing easterly winds, shifting to northwest tonight.

## Baronet Class, Held Meeting.

Last evening the members of the reorganized class of the Warts Street Baptist Sunday school, held their first business meeting and social at the home of E. E. Crav, the president of the class, at his home, 55 West Chester street. The class has planned to help and assist the pastor, the Rev. A. K. Fuller, in the coming special meetings to be held during the latter part of the month and during February. An evangelist has been secured to conduct the meetings, announcement of which will be made in daily papers later. After the business session a social hour was enjoyed.

## BUSINESS NOTICES.

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Effective January 27, 1919, less-carload freight destined to points on (Carter and Delaware R. R.) will be accepted at Kingston (Union Freight Station) on Tuesdays and Thursdays only and no freight will be accepted after 4 p. m. Freight will be forwarded on Wednesday and Fridays.

Just received 30 head of horses, consisting of some British army horses and some first class acclimated horses, which I will sell; worth the money.

ABE VOGEL, 92 Aheol St.

OLD COLONY COFFEE HOUSE  
AT THE SIGN OF THE GOLDEN COFFEE POT  
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Classes for children. To ladies and gentlemen. Individual or class instruction given in Modern Dancing. Phone 355-W.

MILL-END REMNANTS  
Apron and blodd muslins, 1/2 lengths, 5 yd. bundles \$1.25. Large Turkish towels 3 for \$1.00. McTague, 45 Broadway, Phone 821.

WILLIAM MILLER'S TAXI SERVICE, 42 Elmendorf street, has given satisfaction for 19 years. Look for little blue panel on doors of taxis. PHONE CALL 17. Get the number right.

For sleighing parties, get the Snow Bird; best sleigh in the city; two and four horse teams. Prices reasonable. Sleigh will leave Central Post Office at 7:45 p. m. and will return every Friday night hereafter, for Stone Ridge, returning after the dance. Round trip \$1.00. J. D. Middagh, phone 379-M.

Highest cash prices paid for good used automobiles. Affron's Used Car Exchange, 51 Broadway, Phone 1122-W.

DIARIES FOR 1919.  
For office, school, memorandums, cash. O'REILLY'S, 530 Broadway.

SKATES.  
Combination and shoe skates from \$5.50 to \$12. Spaulding's Canadian Club Hockey and Club boys and girls, all sizes. O'Reilly's, 530 Broadway.

IT'S BETTER  
to "Say It With Flowers," no matter what the message may be.  
VALENTIN BERGEVIN, INC.

Special reduction sales before winter. See tables on first floor. China, glassware, baskets and novelties. 25c articles for 10c. 50c articles for 25c. \$1.00 articles for 50c. \$1.50 articles for 75c.  
GREGORY & CO.

OFFICE SUPPLIES  
Blank books, all kinds; ledger, journals, cash, memorandums, loose leaf books, desk calendars, pads, blotting paper, ink, pens, etc. O'REILLY'S, 530 Broadway.

The Daily Freeman is on sale at the following stands of the Scholastic News Agency in New York city.  
102 W. 42nd Street.  
(2nd Street and Park Avenue opposite Grand Central Depot.)  
10th Street and Broadway, (S. W. Corner.)  
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# RONDOUT BOY IN HOSPITAL "SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE"



Somewhere in France the above photograph was taken of the interior of a hospital. The boy in the foreground at the right is Bernard Harpen of No. 7 East Pierpont street, 18 years old. He is suffering from a wound in the leg but was able to sit up in bed when the picture was taken.

## C. E. LOCAL UNION ANNUAL MEETING

The Kingston Christian Endeavor Local will hold its annual meeting and first rally for 1919 at the Church of the Comforter, on Wynkoop Place, Tuesday evening, January 21st, 1919, at 7:45.

The program of the rally is as follows:  
Devotional Service, conducted by the Rev. W. F. Stowe.  
Prayer.  
Scripture Reading—Selected.  
Hymns—Selected.  
Business Period.  
Hymn.

Interesting report, "Out at Middle-town as Seen by an Endeavorer." Address—"A Silver Lining," portrayed by a war worker.  
Address—"Effect of the Silver Lining," by one who has been in the service.

Quoted Selection, by celebrated C. E. Quater.  
Hymn—Selected.  
Address—"You and I in Service," by the Rev. F. W. Mott.

Hymn—Selected.  
March—Benediction.

The theme of the rally is "Service" and it is hoped by the committee that all those that may attend, as there is a great deal of interest being shown by several of the C. E. Societies in the union, to have a large delegation present at the local union banner for the best attendance will be awarded, and Tuesday evening will decide who will hold the banner for the year 1919. If you have not thought of attending the rally, come out and help your society win the banner.

The address will be full of pep and this rally is not to be missed, for everyone on the program is trying to be of some "service" to you if you attend.

At this meeting the election of officers for the year 1919 will take place. Come out and see the officers for the year, and get acquainted. All Christian Endeavorers, hear the rally in mind make it the best ever had in Kingston as the committee is planning for a large gathering, which will be a rally that is to be socially and spiritually beneficial to all those who attend.

Delegates are expected from all the city societies including those of Fort Eben and South Rondout.

Dr. Cad's Illustrated Address.  
At the five o'clock service tomorrow in the Elmendorf Street Church, Dr. Cad will give the second of his illustrated talks on the journey of Israel from Egypt to Canaan. Five lantern slides will show the land of Goshen as it is and recent discoveries there illustrating the Bible story. Ticket slides will show the hosts marching out and crossing the Red Sea. The service closes at six.

Shot Big Raceoon.  
Howard E. Bradford of Middletown does not have needless days any more, as he shot a raccoon last night, weighing 25 pounds.

LAST DAY  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 18th.  
20 PER CENT. OFF.  
ON ALL  
SUITS, OVERCOATS, MACKINAW  
AND FURNISHINGS.  
S. COHEN'S SONS.  
—Advertisement.

## THE BAILWICK'S GIFT.

To Our Wounded Soldiers in Far Off  
Guernsey.

The following clipping from the Guernsey Star is of interest as showing the attitude toward the American Red Cross hospitals of the people of that remote little island which was seen by most of the men going to France. The people of Guernsey and Sark donated 22 dairy cows, bred in that home district of high grade cattle, to an American hospital at or near Southampton. The French had a great seaplane base on the island. The clipping follows:

"On Saturday next twelve more cows and one bull will be sent from this island to Salisbury Court, near Southampton, where a farm and hospital has been established for the reception of sick, wounded and convalescent American soldiers. These animals have all been purchased with money contributed by breeders and farmers for Salisbury Court Farm as a mark of their gratitude for the entry of America—then best customer—into the war, more particularly ended, with the assistance which that great country gave to her European Allies. The product of these animals in milk and butter is to be devoted entirely to the use of the hospital patients.

"As our readers know, ten cows have already been sent from this island to Salisbury Court, five of them having been purchased and five others generously donated.

"The thirteen animals which are to leave the island on Saturday have been purchased from Guernsey, Alderney and Sark breeders."

## S. S. Recognition Day.

The Rondout Presbyterian Sunday school will hold "Recognition Day" Sunday at the opening of the regular session, at which time special recognition will be given to a surprising large number of members who have been absent but few Sundays during the entire year of 1918. It is hoped that all the members will make a special effort to be present. The large number that are entitled to special recognition this year speaks well for the school.

Free Methodist Church, Tremper avenue near O'Neill street, the Rev. A. Willis, pastor, will hold a special service on Sunday evening at 7:45. Sunday school at 9 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Services in charge of the Rev. C. W. Stamp, district officer.

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